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ELIGIBILITY CEILING FOR ASSISTANCE TO DISABLED
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Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has hiked the eligibility ceiling for assistance to disabled persons;

(b) if so, the details in this regard; and

(c) the details of the guidelines to get benefits of such assistance by disabled in the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE & EMPOWERMENT (SMT. SUBBULAKSHMI JAGADEESAN)

(a) & (b) Yes Sir. A person with disability having a monthly income of upto Rs. 6,500/- vis-Ã -vis earlier Rs. 5,000/- can now get assistive device under the scheme totally free. Similarly a person with disability having monthly income upto Rs.10,000/-vis-Ã -vis Rs. 8,000/- earlier, will get 50% concession for aids and appliances under scheme of assistance to disabled persons for purchase/fitting of aids/appliances (ADIP Scheme).

(c) The Scheme of assistance to disabled persons for purchase/fitting of aids/appliances(ADIP Scheme) has been given wide publicity through print media and the revised scheme is available on website of the Ministry i.e. www.socialjustic.nic.in.